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Information and Intelligence Branches

Collection of Intelligence Information on the Foreign Potential
Resources of Raw Materials

REFERENCES: (a) Planning Directive No. 14
Subj: Resources Potential Program.
(b) Planning Directive No. 16
Subj: Same as above.

1. This is an informal progress report submitted in compliance with paragraphs 2a, b and 3 of Planning Directive No. 36 of 13 May, 1946.

2. The initial attack on this problem should be made by calling a meeting of all Government agencies having an interest in foreign resources potential, together with representatives of both the Information and Intelligence Branches, C.P.S.

3. At this meeting, the Army-Navy Munitions Board, the agency requesting the survey of resources potential, should be asked to state what:

- a. Their problem is;
- b. Information they have;
- c. Efforts they have made to obtain information that is lacking;
- d. Information in general (and desired form) required for the preparation of their studies.

4. The representatives of the Government agencies attending the meeting should be invited to state what:

- a. Their interest in foreign resources potential are;
- b. Information they have available;
- c. Cooperation (personnel for subcommittees) they could extend CIB for the project.

5. Based on the results of meeting, plans for further action can be prepared.

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